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REMARKS

Claims 1-28 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. New claims 30-40 have been added by this amendment.

In the rejection dated February 9, 2005, the Examiner rejected claims 1-8 and 11-28 under 35 U.S.C 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Derryberry et al. (U.S. Patent Number 6,498,785) in view of Hunzinger (U.S. Patent Number 6,678,530). While not necessarily acquiescing to the aforementioned prior art rejection set forth by the Examiner and to advance the prosecution of this application, Applicant has cancelled claims 1-28 without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, the aforementioned art rejection is now deemed moot in view of the cancellation of these claims. Applicant further appreciates the allowance of claim 29. Applicant further has added new claims 30-40 for consideration by the Examiner.

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REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that all pending claims in the application are Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application are earnestly patentable. solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

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